

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☒ Mail Stop: A-33  
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Attn: Jobell Russit  
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FROM: Mail Stop: 0-368  
County of San Diego,  
Department of General Services  
Attn: Marcus Lubich  
5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410  
San Diego, CA 92123

☐ State Clearinghouse

**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152**

Project Name: AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE AND AWARD A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW EMERGENCY GENERATOR AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BORREGO SPRINGS OFFICE AND NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Location: 2620 Country Club Road, Borrego Springs, CA 92004; APN 198-020-30

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of General Services  
5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: The project will install a permanent emergency generator, Automatic Transfer Switch, and support equipment to provide an existing sheriff's station with 72 hours of backup power in the event of an emergency or power disruption. The proposed emergency generator will be placed on a new 300 square foot concrete slab surrounded by 8' high chain link fence.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego  
County Contact Person: Marcus Lubich

Date Form Completed: July 31, 2023  
Telephone: 858-414-4593

This is to advise that the County of San Diego's Board of Supervisors has approved the above-described project on August, 29, 2023 (#) and found the project to be exempt from the CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)

☐ Declared Emergency [C 21080(b)(3); G 15269(a)]

☐ Emergency Project [C 21080(b)(4); G 15269(b)(c)]

☐ Statutory Exemption. C Section(s):

☒ Categorical Exemption. G Sections: 15301 Existing Facilities, 15303 New Constructions of Small Structures, 15304 Minor Alterations to Land, and 15311 Accessory Structures

☐ G 15182 – Residential Projects Pursuant to a Specific Plan

☐ Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.

☐ G 15061(b)(3) - It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment and the activity is not subject to the CEQA.

Statement of reasons why project is exempt:

The installation of the permanent emergency generator at the existing sheriff's station is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15301, as the emergency use of the generator would involve the continuation of the existing use at the site, involving no negligible or no expansion of the site's existing uses. The generator would be accessory and appurtenant to the existing Borrego Sheriff Station and is therefore exempt from CEQA pursuant to Sections 15303 and 15311. Installation of the emergency generator and pad would require minor alterations to land including minor grading, which is also exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15304. Additionally, the project will not impact environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern that are designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted by government agencies; does not contribute to cumulative environmental impact; will not have a significant impact on the environment due to unusual circumstances; does not damage scenic resources within a designated state scenic highway; and is not on the list of Hazardous Waste and Substance Sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

The following is to be filled in only upon formal project approval by the appropriate County of San Diego decision-making body.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: 858-414-4593

Name (Print): Marcus Lubich Title: Project Manager

This Notice of Exemption has been signed and filed by the County of San Diego.

This notice must be filed with the Recorder/County Clerk as soon as possible after project approval by the decision-making body. The Recorder/County Clerk must post this notice within 24 hours of receipt and for a period of not less than 30 days. At the termination of the posting period, the Recorder/County Clerk must return this notice to the Department address listed above along with evidence of the posting period. The originating Department must then retain the returned notice for a period of not less than twelve months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.